GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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LINKING OF PORTS WITH RAIL
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to link the minor ports viz Bedi, Porbandar and Hajiraport (Magdalla) of Gujarat with rail;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. There is a proposal to connect Hajira Port to its Hinterland. The project is proposed to be implemented through a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV). The construction will be taken up on completion of the project development, agreement of strategic partners in financial participation and sanction of the project.

There is at present no proposal to connect Bedi and Porbandar ports by rail line as traffic generated is not considered adequate to provide rail linkages.